

Ban on use of Glyphosate and other Pesticides

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The government has not banned the sale, distribution and use of Glyphosate or any other pesticide that contain glyphosate.

The Registration Committee constituted under section (5) of the Insecticides Act, 1968 while registering the pesticides for use in the country evaluates their safety and efficacy based on the field trials conducted at State Agriculture Universities/ICAR institutes and lab studies conducted at NABL /ISO:17025/ and GLP accredited laboratories. Based on the studies, Registration Committee approves the details of doses, crops, precautionary measures, antidotes etc. on Label and Leaflets. The registered pesticides if used as per Label and Leaflets do not pose any harm to human beings, animals, and living organisms other than pests.

The Registration Committee is empowered to register pesticides for use in the country and takes references from various international documents including International Code of Conduct on Pesticides Management.

This information was given by the Union Minister of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Shri Narendra Singh Tomar in a written reply in Rajya Sabha today.